

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/722,700

Examiner

Tia A Carter

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 12-08-04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1 and 2.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 28 November 2000 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).


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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 3-21-03
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other


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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see remarks, filed 10/01/04, with respect to claims 1-2 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The objection/rejection of claims 1-2 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-2 are allowed.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art cited and searched failed to overcome the limitations of the present invention.

Regarding claim 1, the allowable subject matter is as cited:

"generating color signals at predetermined screen angles for the respective colors including black using the correction data corresponding to the plural colors"

"comparing and calculating the calculated read data and the correction data corresponding to the plural colors to form correction tables of the respective colors including black".

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“ comparing and calculating the calculated read data and the correction data corresponding to the mono-color black to form a correction table of the mono-color black”.

“ forming an error correction table from the correction table of the black included in the correction tables of the respective colors and the correction table of the mono-color black”.

Regarding claim 2, the allowable subject matter is as cited:

“generating color signals including a first black and second black at predetermined screen angles for the respective colors including a screen angle for the first black and a screen angle for the second black, which differs from the screen angle for the first black”.

“calculating read data including the first black and second black from the converted color signals”.

“ comparing the calculated read data including the first black and second black with the correction data corresponding to the plural colors and performing calculation to form correction tables of the respective colors including the first black and second black”.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should

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preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tia A Carter whose telephone number is 703 - 306-5433. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (7:00-3:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kimberly A Williams can be reached on 703-305-4863. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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